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Sir:

PECENED TO 1200 of Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated September 25, 2001, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-33) drawn to retroreflective sheeting are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

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